

# Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

*“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”*

## Sunday 13th October 2024

Harvest Thanksgiving - 10.30 am

Welcome & Announcements - Rev Dr Isaac Thompson

**Call to Worship:** 1 *Chronicles* 16 vv 23-25, 28-29

**Praise** *Metrical Psalm 65 vv 9-13 - Tune: Glasgow*

Prayers of Invocation, Adoration & Confession

**Praise** *God of Justice*

Bible Reading: Ruth 2: 1-23

Sandra Carruthers

Children's talk - Chris Cunningham

**Family Praise** *Indescribable*

Children leave for JAM & BREAD



Bible Reading: Matthew 25 vv 31-46

**Praise** *Creation sings the Father's song*

**Talk** *“From Hunger to Hope” - Mrs Kaye Steele*

**Offering & Offertory** - *Great is Thy faithfulness*  
(Congregation stands as the offering is brought forward)

**Doxology:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, you heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

**IPH 51** *Come, you thankful people come*  
*Tune: St George's Windsor*

*The Blessing & Grace*

Tea and coffee will be served in the Link after the service.  
Everyone welcome.

### **Prayer Ministry Team**

The prayer ministry team will be available on Sunday mornings from **11.30 am to 12 midday** to pray with you. You can either **call or text** during that time. The prayer ministry team can be contacted at **07927292336**.

### **Welcome**

We give a warm welcome this morning to Mrs Kaye Steele (Bushmills Presbyterian Church). Kaye is Church and Community Officer for Christian Aid Ireland and will be speaking to us this morning about Christian Aid.

### **Communicants' Classes**

Communicants' Classes will continue this afternoon at 2.30pm in Portstewart Presbyterian Church.

Congregational Bible Readings this week are **Immerse Kingdoms (IK) p 89 to 100 or 1 Samuel Chs 1 to 7**. An audio version is at week 5, days 21 to 24 of [immersebible.com/kingdoms-16-week/](http://immersebible.com/kingdoms-16-week/)

**Turn your hearts to the LORD and obey him alone. (IK99; 1 Samuel 7 v 3).**

Three sermons by Peter Lewis based on 1 Samuel Chs 1 to 6, IK 91-99 are at [peterlewis.cornerstonechurch.org.uk/bible/9/1-samuel/](http://peterlewis.cornerstonechurch.org.uk/bible/9/1-samuel/)

**Study groups based on the readings will take place this week on Sunday 13th in church, Monday 14th online and Wednesday 15th in Lodge Hotel, all at 7:30pm.. For the online meeting, please give your Skype address to the church office.**

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

Thank you to all involved in decorating the church for harvest and to all those who provided gifts. All harvest donations this year will be divided between Christian Aid and Tearfund.

### **Messy Church**

We'd love you to join us on Sunday 20th October from 3.30pm - 6.00pm in the Church Hall, where we will have lots of fun activities, crafts, songs and much more planned as we explore more about who Jesus is. Then afterwards, there will be the opportunity to sit down and enjoy a meal together. If you would like to find out more information, please contact Chris Cunningham or follow the link on the flyers.

# Points for Prayer

## ***Please pray:***

- for Frances Hume, Valerie Barron, Ronald and Jonathan Wilson & Dennis Higgins.  
- for those in residential and nursing homes including - Ida Donnelly, Jim Clarke, Doreen McCrum, Kathleen Campbell, Pamela Douglas, Ruby Stewart, Irene Hosier, Jean Glenfield, Elsie Irwin, Elizabeth Greer, Ian Moffatt and Eddie Flanigan.

**Moderator** | *'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'* Luke 10:2. *In this harvest season pray for the Lord to raise up workers for the harvest. Ask God to help meet the need for ministers, missionaries and other workers to reach the great unreached with the good news of God's redeeming love.*

**Worship: Shout to God** | *'Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness.'* Psalm 100:1-2. *Ask that God would help you to worship him with exuberance today, giving heart, soul, mind and strength to your participation in praise, prayer and listening to the preaching of his Word.*

**Shirley McGonigle, assistant project leader, International Meeting Point** | *Praise God that many have returned to the Centre after the summer and new people are arriving daily. Pray for a new believer as she takes her first tentative steps in the faith. Pray that God will bring relief in a difficult situation she is facing.*

**Council for Mission in Ireland** | *The Council meets on Wednesday 23 October. Please pray for guidance as various issues are discussed relating to mission in Ireland and particularly as calls are issued for Home Mission congregations, deaconess positions and the approval of Mission Pioneers.*

**Thompson House** | *Give thanks for the work & witness of Thompson House, PCI's supported housing scheme for offenders. It aims to help residents find and retain employment, and to make use of opportunities for further education. The scheme also seeks to commend the Christian faith & way of life in an open & accepting manner. Pray that God will move mightily in Thompson House.*

**Policing** | *Pray for those who serve in the PSNI and An Garda Síochána seeking to keep communities safe. Amidst unique challenges pray for protection as they put themselves in danger for the sake of others, and pray too that officers who have been injured while on duty would recover quickly.*

**Training in Ministry** | *The teaching of Union College is very ably supported by staff who deal with academic administration, finance, reception, maintenance, cleaning and other operations. Give thanks for these staff, who are essential to the running of the College & a blessing to faculty & students. Pray that the Lord would bless and encourage them in their important roles.*

# 13th - 19th October 2024

## Church Diary

<b>Sunday</b>	Bible Class	11.30am- 12 noon
	MTT	7.30pm
	Immerse Group (Creche Room)	7.30pm
<b>Monday</b>	Bible Study Group	10.30am
	Bowling Club	7.00pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	GB Company Section	6.50 - 8.30pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Coffee Morning	10.30am
	Wellness Hub	11.00am - 1.00pm
	Bowling Club	7.00pm
	Back to Basics	7.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Men's Fellowship	10.30am
	BB Anchor Boys	6.30 - 7.30pm
	BB Junior section	6.45 - 8.00pm
	BB Company section	7.00 - 9.00pm
<b>Friday</b>	GB Explorers	6.15 - 7.30pm

### **Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Appeal**

You can either cover your own shoebox or preferably use one available from the church office or Link for £1. Leaflets for boxes are also available in the Link and please remember to include £5 for transport costs. If you would rather donate items for shoeboxes please leave in the box in the Link.

*Our service from Ballywillan is broadcast live every Sunday. Please be aware that your image may be captured on screen.*

**Church Office Hours:** Monday to Thursday 9.00am - 1.00pm

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